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MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

We are currently experiencing another of those periodic "war scares" for which it is difficult to find logical basis. Certainly there have been no developments in the past fortnight which were not clearly foreseen by any informed person. It has long been apparent that Moscow meetings were a barren endeavor; that Western Powers would have no remaining recourse but to turn to the UN Assembly and/or Security Council. (Final effort to secure a firm "yes" or "no" from the Kremlin was a gesture in deference to new French gov't; no one expected it to come to fruition.)

It is now not only possible but probable that Russia will withdraw from UN when the question of responsibility for threatening world peace becomes an active issue. This will signal the exit of Russian satellites. The action may wreck UN. It is a risk that must be taken. Certainly the union as presently constructed has no power to preserve the peace.

Western Union has taken another step along a charted course; a course which, it is recognized, may lead to war. That is now, as it has been from the outset, for the Russian gov't to determine. No gov't wants war. But the Kremlin has certain undisguised objectives. Whether it is willing to risk war to attain those objectives is a question no Western mind can fathom.

GEO C MARSHALL, Sec'y of State: "The American likes to get things done in a hurry (but) in an inflamed political situation a quick decision might call for war." 1-Q

H W PRENTIS, pres, Armstrong Cork Co, addressing Nat'l Industrial Conf Board: "No young man starting from scratch today can hope to win a (financial) competency for his own old age and that of his dependents." 2-Q

JOHN L SULLIVAN, Sec'y of Navy: "The Communists have nothing we want or ever will want. Their greatest exportable product is chaos." 3-Q

BERNARD M BARUCH, elder statesman: "Every man has a right to his own opinion, but no man has a right to be wrong in his facts." 4-Q

TOM CLARK, U S Att'y Gen'l: "We have the 5th col on the run in the U S." 5-Q

ERNEST BEVIN, British Foreign Sec'y: "If the black fury, the incalculable disaster of atomic war, should fall upon us, all I can say is that one power, by refusing its co-operation in the control and developments of those great new forces for the good of humanity will alone be responsible for the evils which may be visited upon mankind." 6-Q

Pres HARRY S TRUMAN: "On Nov 2nd get up early and go to the polls and be sure you are right by voting

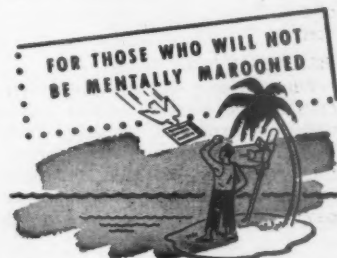
the straight Democratic ticket—and I won't be troubled with the housing shortage." 7-Q

THOS E DEWEY, Republican Presidential Candidate: "With faith in the rightness of freedom, we have ahead of us, not defeat, but a great adventure." 8-Q

DAVID E LILIENTHAL, Chmn, U S Atomic Energy Commission: "We're worse off as a world than we were 3 yrs ago." 9-Q

Mrs ELEANOR ROOSEVELT, Delegate to the UN: "Russians have made grave mistakes in the UN and so have we. But no mistake made by any nation can justify resort to any other process save that of conciliation." 10-Q

PRESTON DELANO, Comptroller of Currency: "Inflation is an insidious thing. Until the bubble bursts, there is a certain stimulation and excitement about it which oftentimes deceives us as to its ultimate consequences." 11-Q





ACHIEVEMENT—1

In life, as in baseball, it is the number of times we reach home safely that counts. — *Norfolk & Western Magazine*, hm, *Norfolk & Western Ry.*

ADJUSTMENT—2

As a dog will turn around and around, sometimes, before it finds the right angle at which to lie down on the hearth or the good earth, so we human beings turn restlessly until we find where we belong within some pattern of relationships; until we find whom we can live and work and laugh with, rely upon in time of need, companion with in faith and perplexity. Then and only then can our minds and hearts settle down.—*BONARO W OVERSTREET*, "High Art of Belonging," *Nat'l Parent-Teacher*, 9-'48.

AGE—Retirement—3

Chuter Ede said recently in the British House of Commons:

"I made up my mind, as a magistrate of a Juvenile Court, that when I reached the age of 60 I would retire. I notified my colleagues immediately after my 60th birthday, and my resignation was rec'd with great indignation. I found I was the 3rd youngest mbr of the Court!"—*Daily Herald*. (London)

BELIEF—4

When people speak with anger or write angry letters because someone has expressed a belief that isn't like their own, they admit their weakness. As the Wisconsin author, August Derleth, writes: "If people were really convinced of

their beliefs, they would hardly get angry at the mere suggestion of criticism. No derogation can shake them or hurt them." Truth gives no recognition to untruth.—*Curtis Courier*, hm, *Curtis 1000 Inc.*

BUDGET—5

A budget is like a girdle, you can always squeeze a little more into it.—*GEO JAFFE*, *Franklin Field*, hm, *Franklin Life Ins Co.*

CENSORSHIP—6

The Argentine officials have a mania for information, and tap all wires. An American correspondent in Buenos Aires, telephoning another reporter, suddenly heard a voice cut in and plead: "No English, please. The bilingual operator is off tonight. I'm the substitute; but I don't speak English."—*LEONARD LYONS*, syndicated col.

CHILDREN—Radio Programs—7

The *Dialette*, a little monthly newspaper at Marquette grade school, Tulsa, Okla, reports that a survey of children's favorite radio programs uncovered some surprises recently. Out of the answers to the survey came the following.

Long ranger. All rich Family. Taket or leevet. Truth or caneconsis. Feber mege an moley. Baby snexck. Man coed ex. Distekturmy. Innter sanketm. Bustry Brown.

And to top them off, "It pays to be engernt."—*Magazine Digest*.

CIVILIZATION—8

Civilization: A state of society in which the only mfrs who never have to advertise their wares are the armament mfrs.—*Dublin Opinion*. (Eire)

COMPLACENCY—9

We correct our mathematical errors, but we permit our sins and faults as tho they served a useful purpose.—*American Christian Review*.

CONFIDENCE—Lack—10

When the jumble around the starting line at a recent yacht race had cleared, the helmsman of the leading yacht rather uneasily remarked, "I never expected to find myself in the lead."

The crew repl'd: "That's nothing to complain about. You're doing well. Keep it up."

For a few moments they sailed on in silence. Glancing nervously

over his shoulder, the helmsman again remarked: "It never occurred to me I might be leading the fleet." Then, as they reached the 1st mark, he said: "I'm afraid we'll have to let this boat pass us."

"No, we won't," the crew said. "We're well ahead."

"If we don't," said the helmsman, "I won't know where to go after we get around this mark. I was so sure we'd have a few boats in front of us that I didn't study the course."—*Irish Times*.

CO-OPERATION—Reward—11

It is a pleasant thought that when you help a fellow up a steep hill, you get nearer the top yourself.—*Ayograms*, hm, *L S Ayres & Co.*

DRINK—Drinking—12

Out of every 100 heavy drinkers who have indulged to excess regularly over a period of yrs, no more than 4 ever have delirium tremens and 3 of these cases are precipitated either by starvation, a severe mental strain, an accident such as a burn or a disease such as pneumonia.—*MEE MORNINGSIDE*, *True*.

ECONOMY—False—13

To buck prices, a housewife tries out a no-egg, no-butter, no-sugar recipe, and announces her finding, viz: no cake. — *Richmond Times-Dispatch*.

EDUCATION—14

There are 17,178,652,187,317,210 (more than 17 quadrillion) ways to earn an A B degree. Among the 11,031 institutions granting degrees in the U S, no 2 agree on academic requirements—not even church related denominational colleges.—*COL CLARENCE E LOVEJOY*, *Lovejoy's Complete Guide to American Colleges & Universities*. (Simon & Schuster)

FORGIVENESS—15

How to forgive is something we have to learn, not as a duty or an obligation but as an experience akin to the experience of love; it must come into being spontaneously.—*THEO COYLER SPEERS*, *Fraternal Monitor*.

FREEDOM—16

Freedom is not a matter of place, but of condition.—*World Order*.

GOD—and Man—17

There are 2 kinds of people; those who say to God, "Thy will be done,"

and those to whom God says: "All right, then, have it your way."—C S LEWIS, *The Great Divorce*. (Macmillan)

GOV'T—Cost—18

With the margin of error the U S Treasury now allows itself in an annual estimate, the early Republic could have financed itself thru 8 administrations.—*Salt Lake Tribune*.

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It cost Columbus \$7,250 to discover America—about the same am't it costs a congressional committee to discover a few facts.—*Grit*.

Tomb or Treasure House

The builders of the Chailiot Palace in Paris where the UN Assembly is meeting seem to have had prevision of the decade to come. On the facade of one of the buildings there is this inscription:

It depends on him who enters whether I am tomb or treasure-house—

Whether I speak or am silent—This depends only on you. Friend, do not enter without desire.

—LESTER MARKEL, "Europe—Tomb or Treasure House?" *N Y Times Magazine*, 9-19-'48. 19

HAPPINESS—20

Gather the crumbs of happiness and they will make you a loaf of contentment.—Origin Unknown.

HOME—Modern—21

Said Wesner Fallaw: We observe that our culture is surfeited with gadgets that have driven from the home any need for the parents gathering children around them, for chores and household art, thus forming a self-sufficient family economy. Once the family could stand on its own, in details ranging from preparing the ground for seed all the way to harvesting, grinding the grain, and baking the bread. But now the household is thrown out of order if the toaster won't work.—HAZEN G WERNER, in *The Christian Faith and Secularism*, edited by J RICHARD SPANN. (Abingdon-Cokesbury)

INFLATION—Statistics—22

The dollar's worth today can be measured by several yardsticks: At retail, it will buy only as much

as 57¢ would buy back in '39. At wholesale, it's a 44.5¢ dollar; in the labor mkt, it will only buy what 48¢ would buy in '39. Its food value has dropped to 44¢ compared to prewar; its clothing value to 51¢; and its rent value to 89¢.—*U S News & World Report*.

INGENUITY—Reward—23

Publisher Jas Gordon Bennett was intolerant of fighting, a practice all too frequently followed in the rough-and-ready days of journalism.

A printer arrived one morning with a well-blackened eye, and knew he must hide it or be fired. In a moment of inspiration, he smeared his entire face with printer's ink.

Bennett noticed him at once. "What are we paying that man?" he asked the foreman. Told the am't, he ordered, "Double it. It's obvious that he's doing more work around here than anyone else!"—*Journeyman Barber*.

KNOWLEDGE—24

It is perfectly possible to know more than you understand.—*Mgt Briefs*, hm, Rogers & Slade.

LOVE—25

People often fall in love with only one characteristic in another person, and fall out of love if that one characteristic is changed or lost. Hence so many disappointments.—CHRISTIAN MORGENSTERN, *Die Frau*, Baden-Baden, French Zone, Germany. (QUOTE translation)

MAN—26

Man is a duality of being. He is living physically, which is sometimes too obvious. He is living spiritually, which is not always so obvious.—*Miami Herald*.

MARRIAGE—27

Marriage is a splendid institution. It teaches a man thrift, regularity, helpfulness, and a host of other virtues he wouldn't need if he had stayed single. — *Dorchester (Wis) Clarion*.

MERIT—28

While we often grumble because we can't have what we want, we should be thankful that oftentimes we don't get what we deserve.—*Canning Trade*.

MIND—29

We hear about soil erosion. Surely, not less serious is the matter of

mind erosion; the dust storms of daily excitement and of continual triviality can easily blow away the sensitive top-soil of the spirit. The result is a narrow and shallow nervous credulity. — CHRISTOPHER MORLEY, author, quoted in *Pathfinder*.

OPPORTUNITY—30

A *Fortune* survey shows that nearly 70 men out of every hundred think they have better opportunities than their fathers had. More than 60 think their sons will have even better opportunities than they have. Youth is a time of optimism, so men between 17 and 25 are considerably more optimistic about their own chances than men over 40. Even 61% of poor youngsters said they had a better chance than their fathers.—THOS DREIER, *Pegmatites*, hm, Golding-Keene Co.

ORIGIN: "Highball"—31

The slang word "highball," meaning to beat it with great haste, came into the American language thru the ry. A ball about 2 ft in diameter was used to signal the engineer whether to stop or go ahead full tilt. . . If the ball was pulled to the top of the pole, that was the signal to zoom ahead. The train then went "highballing" thru. —MITFORD M MATHEWS, *Dictionary of Americanisms*. (Univ of Chicago)



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AUTOMOBILE — Appliances: Dashboard warning light prevents hand brake wear. As ignition key is turned, light flashes, indicating brake has not been released. Easily installed on any type car or truck. Techtman Industries. (*Forbes*)

GADGETS: New calendar bank needs nickels, dimes and quarters to change the day of the mo, and a quarter changes the mo itself. Capacity, \$25. Pickproof lock with key. (*Best's Ins News*)

HANDICAP AIDS: New electronic reading device, still in experimental stage, enables blind person to read ordinary printing. Consists of tube like fountain pen which user slides along line of printing. Tiny spot of light swings from the top to the bottom 30 times a sec. Light reflected is picked up by electric eye, and when spot encounters dark area at top of swing, a high-pitched note is heard thru headphones; dark area at the bottom gives note of low pitch. Letter "V," for example, is a high-pitched note which slides down to low pitch, up again to high. Letter "I" is combination of high and low notes. User has to learn to recognize characters and sounds for each letter. (Dr HILTON I JONES, *Rotarian*)

MEDICAL AIDS: An x-ray telescope, capable of giving physicians a fluoroscopic view of patient's internal organs 500 times clearer than now is possible, is being built by Westinghouse scientists. The x-ray telescope, which will make possible movie-like viewing of the human body, has been described as "potentially the greatest advance in x-ray diagnosis since these rays were 1st put to medical use." (*American Legion Magazine*)

PATIENCE—32

When things don't jell as fast as we sometimes think they ought to, we are reminded of a favorite quotation of an old friend: "You can do anything if you have patience. You can even carry water in a sieve . . . if you wait until it freezes."—K V P *Philosopher*, hm, Kalamazoo Vegetable Parchment Co.

POETRY—Appreciation—33

A French newspaper recently published 5 poems, 4 by modern poets and 1 by an insane man. The readers were to guess which had been written by the latter. Only 20% were correct! — *Rheinischer Merkur*, Germany. (QUOTE translation)

PRAYER—34

Many yrs ago, I met a rural pastor who was noted for the fit word whenever he said grace at meals.

When he was invited to a sumptuous meal, he said, "Bountiful Jehovah, we thank Thee for Thy abundant providences." But at a lean, frugal meal, he would say, "Lord, teach us to thank Thee for the least of Thy mercies."—PHILIP JEROME CLEVELAND, *Woman*.

PREPAREDNESS—35

He is most free from danger who, even when safe, is on guard.—PUBLIUS SYRUS, Roman writer who flourished about 43 B C.

QUALITY—36

People may forget how fast you did a job—but they'll remember how well you did it.—*Salesmaker*, hm, Hardwick & Magee Co.

RELIGION—37

One afternoon after a strenuous hike thru the woods with a group of my Girl Scouts, my miraculous medal, which I always wear about my neck, was hanging visibly outside my uniform. One of the children, no more than 8 yrs old, whispered to me, "Your religion is showing."—MARY KNIGHTS, *Catholic Digest*.

SORROW—Symbolism—38

The Chinese written character *ch'iu*, meaning autumn, when combined with that for heart, produces the calligraphic expression *ch'ou*, for sorrow. — WALTER L BRIGGS, "China's Season of Sorrow," *New Republic*, 9-20-'48.

SPEECH—Speaking—39

Students of public speech would do well to listen to some of Geo Jessel's speeches just to hear him be silent. He cocks his head ceilingward, aiming his chin at a guy in the balcony, and stares at the chandelier as tho brooding deeply on how to phrase his next tremendous thought. "It gets att'n," he says. "Altho I'm not wondering what to say; I'm probably wondering where I was last night."—EARL WILSON, "Toastmaster Gen'l," *Esquire*, 10-'48.

"The World is awake . . ."

In the death of WENDELL L WILLKIE 4 yrs ago this wk, Oct. 7, '44, the world lost a great citizen and worker for peace. His rare combination of vision and practicality are missed increasingly as we move into the period where his dream of One World must become a reality. About achieving this reality, he said:

Now more than ever we must keep in the forefront of our minds the fact that whenever we take away the liberties of those whom we hate, we are opening the way to loss of liberty for those whom we love.

The world is awake at last to the knowledge that the rule of people by other peoples is not freedom. 40

STRATEGY—41

When the lowly potato of the New World was introduced into the Old World, French farmers scorned it. A certain nobleman, interested in promoting it, planted several acres and then at harvest time posted signs reading: "These *pommes de terre* (ground apples) are raised exclusively for the nobility to eat. Do not touch on danger of severe punishment." Guards watched the plot by day but not by night. Soon the field was stripped—and France grew potatoes.—OSCAR NUSSMANN, *Rotarian*.

TAX—Gasoline—42

During '47, motor owners in the U S paid \$1,623,147,782 in gasoline taxes, nearly \$1.60 for every min of time that has elapsed during the Christian era!—BURTON W MUSSER, gen'l counsel, Utah Oil Refining Co.

UNITY—43

Unity is desirable and important, but a political party must possess other qualities. It must have vision, courage, and understanding, sympathy with the problems of the masses of people, willingness to advocate remedies that are indispensable. . . The Dead Sea has unity. But it is the unity of stagnation. It produces nothing. — Sen ALBEN W BARKLEY, Democratic Vice-Presidential nominee.

VETERANS—GI Training—44

A major shortcoming in the GI Bill is the failure to restrict the purpose for which the educational and training benefits may be used. Recently the public was startled by the news that thousands of vets had exploited their entitlement under the Bill in order to satisfy some recreational or avocational whim and at a tremendous financial cost to the nation. For example, over \$200 million of public funds have already been paid out for pilot-training courses alone and comparatively large sums for ballroom dancing lessons and even for instruction in applied horsemanship! —THOS F JORDAN, Educational & Vocational Counseling Division, Veterans Administration, "How Many Wrongs Make a GI Bill of Rights?" *School & Society*, 9-11-48.

VISION—45

A man once found a shiny new dime in the road. From then on his mind was focused on small things and he never lifted his eyes from the ground while walking. At the end of 40 yrs, he accumulated 34,947 buttons, 54,712 pins, 11 pen-nies, a bent back and a bad disposition. He lost the glories of the light, the smiles of friends, the beauties of nature, and opportunity to serve his fellow men and spread happiness.—*Alexander Co-operator*, hm, *Alexander Film Co.*

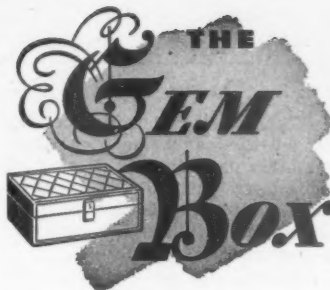
WAGES—46

A white collar friend of mine says he has decided against buying his infant heir a set of nursery blocks.

"I'm going to bring him a batch of bricks to play with," he said grimly. "And instead of sending him to college I'm going to make him study up in the entrance examinations for the bricklayers union."

He said he had decided this after reading that union bricklayers here now get \$27 for an 8-hr day—that's \$135 for 5 days. And overtime brings extra rates.

"What's the use of raising my boy to be a white collar worker," sighed my friend, "if he won't earn enough to send the collar to the laundry?"—HAL BOYLE, syndicated col.



Stadium Stampede

To do a real job of watching a football game takes plenty of work on the part of the fan, and a certain keen sense of when to do the right thing.

You will need equipment—2 blankets, thermos jug, seat cushion, money and some throat lozenges. As you move toward the entrance, you must battle your way thru a wall of human flesh which is trying to slow you down to buy pennants, popcorn, peanuts and programs. Buy one of each!

Next, hand the usher your tickets and he will tell you exactly where those choice seats are. This is usually a drawn-out process ending with your walking over a lot of people's feet as you slide along.

The kick-off: Watch the ball and yell your head off when the man who catches it is caught. At each play jump to your feet and yell some more. Tell the guy next to you that the quarterback doesn't know what he is doing. Tell him how you would have called the play. Tap the thermos. Yell at the people in front: "Siddown!"

Record crowds preventing sight-seers from getting into football games aren't so modern: near the Roman amphitheatre of Rich-borough, Kent, a skeleton was discovered still waiting with the price of entrance in its hand.—DOUGLAS NEWTON, *Universe*.

At the half-time, leave your seat to buy hot dogs, the best way in the world to miss the best part of the game. Continue the 2nd half by repeating 1st half performance.

As you mill out with the crowd, start eating throat tablets, and tell the world in gen'l, "Whatta game, whatta game!" If you can't yell this out, talk it out, or whisper—if you can.—*Friendly Adventurer*, hm, Birmingham & Prosser Co.

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GOOD STORIES

You Can Use

A small boy who collects things ran all the way home from school the other day to report that a new contest was on. He said 1st prize for the largest collection of some almost completely useless item was a handsome Packard car.

Doubtful but game, the family agreed to help. For 48 hrs the collection drive went on at fever pitch. And then the lad came home again, walking slowly this time, his face lined with sorrow. "It's not a Packard car," he told his family disgustedly. "It's a pack of cards!"—*This Wk.* a

"Penny—a chip off the old buck.—Mrs DEAN STROUD, Louisville Courier-Jnl Magazine.

"What is your age?" asked the Magistrate. "Remember," he cautioned, "you are on oath."

"Twenty-one and some mo's," the woman ans'd.

"How many mo's?"

"One hundred and eight."—*Ireland's Own.* b

"Many persons seem to be trying to make wk-ends meet.—Grit.

When Fred Zinneman, director of *The Search*, was in Nuremburg scouting locations, he stood in amazement before the rubble of bombed-out areas. Noting his expression, the director's German guide volunteered, "You see, Mr Zinneman, we're 10 yrs ahead of you folks."

"Why?" asked Zinneman.

Came the response: "We have our ruins now!"—IRVING HOFFMAN, *Hollywood Reporter.* c

An American flyer parachutes lollipops down to Berlin children. It would be interesting to see a suspicious Russian testing one for the flavor of ideology.—*Boston Globe.*

A young Chinese student was living in a boarding house which was anything but clean. In view of the dirty premises he was greatly surprised one day to find

I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

O A CARNES

School Sup't, Orleans, Ind

The chairman of the school committee was addressing a meeting at the teachers' institute. "My friends, the school-wark is the bulhouse of civilization; I mean—ah—"

The chairman here became slightly chilled.

"The bulhouse is the school-wark of civ—"

An invisible smile began to make itself felt.

"The warkhouse is the bul-school of—"

He was evidently twisted.

"The schoolbul is the house-wark—"

An audible snicker spread thru the audience.

"Scowsechool—"

He was getting wild—so were his hearers. He mopped perspiration, gritted his teeth, and made a fresh start.

"The schoolhouse, my friends, is—"

A sigh of relief went up. Ah—! Now he has got his feet under him again. He gazed suavely around. The light of triumphant self-confidence was enthroned upon his brow.

"Is the wulbark—"

And then he sat down.

a card tacked on the front door by his landlady.

CLEAN YOUR FEET, it said in big letters.

The Chinese student took a pencil and on the same card, immediately underneath, he wrote, ON GOING OUT.—IRV LEIBERMAN, *American Legion Magazine.* d

Jackson and his wife were doing a little fly hunting about the house. "How many have you caught?" she asked after a while.

"Six," repl'd her husband, "3 males and 3 females."

"How absurd!" his wife sniffed.

"How could you tell if they were males or females?"

"Easy, my dear," he retorted.

"Three were on the sugar and 3 were on the mirror."—*Good Fel-loe.* e

A civilized nation is one that is horrified by other civilized nations. — JOSEPHUS HENRY, *Scottsbluff Star-Herald.*

Mandy had been robbed and was telling the court the circumstances of the case.

"Wal, suh," she said, "on this particular day, there was a big Republican parade going on. Ah was leaning out mah winder when this guy sneaks up and slams the winder down on mah neck and robs me!"

"Do you mean to say that while all those people were in the st, you let this man rob you without making an outcry?"

"Yessuh, Ah coulda outcried, but Ah didn't want them people to think Ah was cheerin' a Republican parade."—*Purdue Engineer.* f

There's one thing you ought to know about growing tomatoes and that is that they are at their best when they're 5' 2".—*Stove Builder, hm, Inst of Cooking & Heating Appliances Mfrs.*

In a recent trip to Boston my wife and I found a parking space in the downtown area next to a "restricted" sign. Just as we were leaving a big new car drove up and parked in the illegal space in front of us. After the driver locked his car he reached in his pocket, withdrew a green slip of paper and placed it under the windshield wiper. We could not resist our curiosity—it was a ticket for illegal parking.—H P MONTGOMERY, *True.* g

An irate enthusiast who had watched the home team go down in defeat, stopped the umpire as he was leaving the field.

"Where's your dog?" he demanded.

"Dog?" repl'd the umpire. "I don't own a dog."

"Well," said the irate man, "you're the 1st blind man I've seen who didn't." — *United Mine Workers Jnl.* h

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 Long skirts are like prohibition—the joints are still there, but they are harder to spot.—Alexander Animator, hm, Alexander Film Co. " "

The district sup't of a ry co has always made a special point of insisting that stationmasters shall send in a full report at once of any accident, however small. One morning he rec'd the following urgent message:

"Man fell from platform in front of moving train. Will send further details later."

After waiting for what seemed an age, the sup't rec'd the 2nd message:

"Everything O K. Nobody injured. Engine was going backwards."—*Husmor, (Sweden)* i

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 A sailor rec'd a letter from home, and a comrade was surprised to see him pull out a blank sheet of paper and gaze intensely on it. Being curious, he asked the reason. The reply was: "You see, it's like this, me and the wife ain't speaking."—*Irish Catholic.* j

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 Bachelors are men who have nobody to share the care they'd have if they were married.—Canning Trade. " "

Prior to the 1st World War an American newsboy in Europe cabled sizzling stories about the secret diplomatic moves that would plunge the world into a global slugfest.

One day the foreign correspondent rec'd a cable from his editor: "Stop sending stories about European politics this wk. Public not interested. The World Series has started."—*WALTER WINCHELL, syndicated col.* k

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 Imitating the initiative of the well-known Blandings, the Joneses had discovered their "dream house" in the outermost fringe of a Conn

village. The one drawback seemed to be the 20-mile drive to the nearest ry station. The shrewd real estate man brushed this obstacle aside with the remark: "That distance is really nothing. My son could cover it in 2 min's."

Then he nonchalantly added, by way of explanation: "Of course, he flies a jet job for the Army."—*Christian Science Monitor.* l

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 SOPHISTICATION: *The art of admitting that the unexpected is just what you anticipated.—R & R Magazine, hm, Ins Research & Review Service.* " "

A prim old Quaker lady was driving a shiny new car. Suddenly, at a cross st a heavy truck, unable to stop, collided with the car, crumpling a fender, breaking a window and gouging a hole in its shiny side. Infuriated, the woman managed to control herself only by remembering her Quaker upbringing. She got out and walked over to the truck driver.

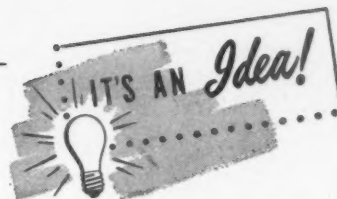
"When thee gets home to thy kennel tonight," she said, "I hope thy mother bites thee!"—*Capper's Wkly.* m

"I can get you elected to any office in Milwaukee county," one of the city's best known political figures boasted to an acquaintance of ours. "You won't have to spend a cent. You won't have to make a speech. You won't even need a platform," he cont'd. "All you have to do is go into court and have your name changed to this." He scribbled rapidly on a slip of paper and handed it across the desk. He had written:

"Mark X Here."—*Milwaukee Jnl.* n

When a doctor of divinity is created at the Univ of Uppsala, Sweden's most venerable institution of learning, the recipient receives a high hat. Along with the high hat it is the custom at the univ to shoot off cannons when the degrees are given.

When the archbishop of Sweden, the Most Rev Erling Eidem, recent-



There ought to be a Sec'y of Entertainment in the Pres's cabinet. The world needs more joy, and the U S ought to take the lead in supplying it.—*Mrs KAY DORNEY, pres, Women's Research Guild, N Y, Pathfinder.*

ly created Dr P O Bersell, pres of the Augustana synod, an Uppsala doctor, he remarked to the audience that since there were no cannon in Rock Island, where the degree was being conferred, there was only one thing to do.

He thereupon placed the tall hat on Dr Bersell and kissed his cheeks in true European fashion, while the crowd roared, "Boom, boom!"—*Lutheran Companion.* o

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 If having a good time is all there is to life, a monkey has a man outdistanced completely, both in amusing others and in being amused.—Watchman-Examiner. " "

A New Englander was recently invited by a high state official to a dinner out of town. Bowling along in the car, the man suddenly remembered that his wife was expecting him home for dinner at the usual time.

Why not, the official suggested, straighten things out by calling up the wife from the telephone in the car?

The car was approaching the Neponset Bridge, when he was connected thru to his home in the Mass town. Before he could explain the situation, his wife asked him where he was. Being a literal man, he repl'd: "I'm on the Neponset Bridge."

There was a shocked moment of silence on the other end of the wire and then the little woman reacted sharply. "Listen," she said, "you get out of that barroom and come home right away!"—*Long Lines, hm, American Telephone and Telegraph Co.* p

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The Starting Lineup

It is seldom that political parties agree with one another on anything. But this yr, almost all of the other eight "3rd parties" are agreed on the obvious fact that HENRY WALLACE's Progressive party has been hogging the publicity on "3rd parties." Not all will appear on the ballot in every state, but the following list of minor parties running candidates for the Presidency this yr has been compiled from various newspaper and magazine sources. Special credit is given to Horizons, business publication syndicated by Cambridge Associates, of Boston. The 8 parties, in addition to the Progressives, are:

(1) The Dixiecrat candidate is Gov J STROM THURMOND, of S C, 46-yr-old Purple Heart veteran of World War II. A believer in states' rights, THURMOND declares his party stands for "the principles of representative democracy, . . . and is the only hope of the American people to preserve the traditions of the American way of life."

(2) The Socialist party, running NORMAN THOMAS for the 6th time, calls for public ownership of basic industries, public utilities and banking.

(3) The Socialist Labor party, with EDW A TEICHERT, of Greensburg, Pa, as its candidate, wants "collective ownership by the people of the land and all the instruments of wealth production."

(4) The Socialist Workers, running FARREL DOBBS, of N Y, aims at the "mobilization of the masses for a Workers and Farmers Gov't." DOBBS has the unique distinction of being the only candidate with a penitentiary record. Banner bearer for the Trotskyist division of the Communist movement, he was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury in '41 for being involved in a plot to overthrow the U S Gov't.

(5) The Greenback party, with JOHN G SCOTT, of Craryville, N Y, advocates a 100% greenback reserve for all bank demand deposits.

(6) Dr CLAUDE A WATSON, Los Angeles att'y, Prohibition party candidate, is the only one born in a log cabin. In addition to being against the "demon rum," he opposes bureaucracy, subsidies, and domination by labor unions.

(7) Dr JOHN MAXWELL, of Chicago, 84-yr-old head of the American Vegetarian party, demands the abolition of cattle cultivation and the use of pasture for growing vegetables.

(8) GERALD L K SMITH, candidate of the Christian Nationalist Crusade will push his perpetual campaign for white supremacy.

A candidate needs 4 hats—1 to throw into the ring, 1 to talk thru, 1 to pull rabbits out of, and 1 to keep woodpeckers from drilling holes in his head.—Grit.

A person who gets in the public eye may still be just a little squirt. Consider the grapefruit.—Banking, hm, American Bankers Ass'n.

Why People Vote—& Why They Don't—W PHILLIPS DAVISON, N Y Times Magazine, 9-19-'48.

In the U S, popular participation in elections has not been as heavy as it has been in some other countries, but, with the exception of the 3 or 4% brought to the polls by party workers, voters have been motivated by civic consciousness, interest in the outcome, emotional involvement or a combination of these. Rather than herding the uninformed to the polls, we would do much better to remove artificial barriers to voting—restrictions on grounds of color, overly compli-

cated ballots and cumbersome election procedures—and then to rely on the slower but more dependable methods of building a responsible electorate. These include, principally, education thru the schools and the press, and clear definition of the issues at election time.

It is not the absolute number of voters, but the number of informed voters which makes for a healthy democracy.

The Gallup poll last mo showed 48% of the voters favoring the Dewey-Warren ticket and only 37% in favor of Pres Truman and Sen Alben W Barkley.

ELMO ROPER, in *Fortune*, added further confirmation. He gave these percentages: Dewey 44.2, Truman 31.4, Wallace 3.6, Thomas .5, Thurmond 4.4, others .5 and "Don't know" 15.4—GLENN THOMPSON, *Cincinnati Enquirer*.

Campaign Communications Media—CHAS W SMITH, *Annals of the American Academy of Political & Social Studies*, 9-'48.

A group of substantial citizens in a little town were discussing politics while they waited at the telephone office for ret'ns from a primary election.

"I voted for—," said one, "because I saw his picture on a telephone pole."

"I voted for—," said another, "because he sent me a letter."

"I always vote for the 1st man on the list," said a third, while a 4th chimed in: "I don't think that's fair, so I always vote for the last man on the list."

These citizens, in their more or less facetious enumeration of different methods of voting, illustrate the principle that some voters are influenced by one kind of appeal and some by another, while some are almost impervious to any of the ordinary appeals.

"The Man Who"

God, send us
"A man, who"
Will not expend us!
God, send us
One to befriend us—
(Long overdue!)

God, send us

A MAN! Who?

—"BOBBY BURNS UP," quoted by DELOS AVERY, in *Chicago Tribune Magazine of Books*.

